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Title: SAMPLE HOLDER FOR A RECEPTION DEVICE RECEIVING  
BIOLOGICAL OBJECTS AND MICROSCOPE SYSTEM DESIGNED  
TO OPERATE USING ONE SUCH SAMPLE HOLDER

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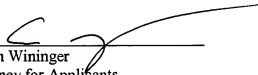
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